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COUNTERFEITERS.

A Year's Chase for a Backwoods Indiana Gang—History of a Party Who Had Terrorized the Country for Years.

Cincinnati Post.

For many years that portion of Indiana located in the hills back of the Ohio river and locally determined as Pikeville, Pike county, has been known as a "Hell on earth." A gang of desperadoes, who grew bolder by their success, ran the town and ruled the surrounding country, and intimidated even the authorities. Last February, Capt. Abbot, of Cleveland, chief of the secret service district, which includes Ohio, Indiana, and Michigan, received direct orders to go down into Pike county and clean out a gang of counterfeiters. It was well known that counterfeit coin of superior make emanated from that region, but it was another thing to get the evidence which would secure a conviction under the law. Abbot and three assistants began the work, and followed and captured thirteen of the shrewdest shovers of the queer that were ever landed in one net. It was known as the Houchins gang, and comprised Jesse, Joe and Columbus Houchins, Barney Smitten, David Wesley Wood, Jim Kinder, Henry Grossman, Joe Perkins, William Taylor, William Redman, Jake Crezelous, and Tom and Laura Ann Comer.

Tom Comer is regarded by the officers of the secret service as one of the most expert and dangerous counterfeiters in the country. In 1880 he was convicted in this city, under the name of Harry Homer, of counterfeiting, and sent to the pen for eight years. He also admitted that he had served a term for counterfeiting before the war. Laura, his wife helped make the goods, and made trips through the country selling and passing. The price for the spurious ranged from 20 to 35 cents on the dollar. Laura and Tom have been married but two years, and are very devoted to each other. She is a Kentuckian, and rather lady-like. "I don't care what you do with me if you will only let Tom go," she said to the officers. Tom says: "I am old crook, and you've got my record. Send me up but for God's sake let Laura go."

The Houchins, the leaders, lived near Pikeville, a disreputable hole fourteen miles from the nearest railroad. It has bare two hundred inhabitants, including five houses of ill-fame and three saloons where the worst kind of five-cent whisky is sold. The Houchins ran the neighborhood. They were not men of extraordinary size or strength, but terrorized over the community by reason of their readiness with revolver and knife. The sheriff of Pike county had six indictments against them for various crimes, and never dared to make an attempt to arrest them. They even forced people to take their counterfeit coin. Two of the Houchins went into Burnett's saloon, one day, absorbed a couple of drinks of five-cent whisky, and threw down a counterfeit \$5 gold piece. The saloonist, who had seen that kind of coin before, protested that he couldn't take it. "Lum," Houchins whipped out a revolver and said with an oath, "You've got to take it," and Burnett counted out \$4.00 in good coin of the realm. Afterward, when the saloonist complained of the net they forced him to shut up shop and skip the town.

Since their capture many persons have appeared to testify against the gang who did not dare to say a word while they were at large. Taylor, one of the gang, was the son of a respectable father. He was promised a light sentence if he would tell the whole history of the gang, but he boldly swore he never handled a dollar of counterfeit money in his life. His father told the officers that the gang had frequently robbed him, but he never dared complain. Jim Kinder, another of the gang, swore that the first time he ever rode on a railroad train was when he was arrested and taken to Indianapolis. Jim was weaned a counterfeiter. His father was an expert, and the boy took lessons in the art from his mother at a very early age. Jim is the stalwart of the gang, was captured by strategy in a hotel at Booneville, where he was induced to go as a "jobber," to dispose of a stock of the spurious coin. Several of the detectives had, under disguises, worked their way into the secrets of the counterfeiters, and purchased large quantities of the spurious stuff. One of these men induced Jim to go to a hotel, where he was introduced to a powerful officer who clapped the handcuffs on him at the first greeting.

The chief man in securing evidence against the Houchins was a detective who sailed under the name of "Doc Henderson." He was a corn doctor, and had panaceas for numerous other ills, and gathered in much bogus coin and a large amount of evidence. He was at Joe Houchins' house on the night of the capture and the party were planning a robbery when Abbot and a Marshal's posse descended on the house. The Houchins had braced the doors, as was their custom, and the first assault of the outsiders aroused their suspicions. They opened fire on Henderson and his friends, and the conflict became general. "Lum" Houchins' first act was to seize the lamp and dash it on the floor, leaving the combatants in darkness. When the melee was over Joe Houchins was found with a babe in his arms, put there by his wife. The babe was on the right side and a bullet had entered Joe's breast just above the right nipple, inflicting what was supposed to be a fatal wound. The babe's clothing was covered with blood. Joe's wife insisted that he had been holding the infant all the time, but that was impossible. Jesse, who was captured at a farm-house four miles distant, "Lum" was found hiding in the room where the fight occurred. Beside Joe's wound Jesse was shot in the groin and body, and Lum in the arm. Of the attacked party "Henderson," or Killian, the detective, was badly wounded in the hand. Joe was left in the house to die, but he's getting better and has, with others captured, been indicted. Their trials will begin at Indianapolis next week. The other

members of the gang were gathered in with less trouble. With the gang were captured about \$2,500 in bogus coin, all the molds and other apparatus used in the manufacture, beside a perfect arsenal of arms, including fourteen self-cocking revolvers and a number of brass and lead knuckles. One pair weighed over three pounds, were sharp-pointed, and in the hands of a strong man would easily fell an ox. Tom Comer had a double barreled shot-gun, and two magnificent 44-calibre self-cockers. These shooters will be returned to the families of the captured men, if demanded; otherwise, they are sent with the spurious coin, molds, etc., to Washington.

The machinery for the manufacture of the coin was not cumbersome, and could be easily transported from place to place. It consisted of plaster of paris molds and the receptacle for the metals. The coin manufactured included gold pieces of the denomination of \$10, \$5, and \$2, and silver dollars, halves, quarters and dimes. Nickels were also made. The principal ingredients were bismuth, antimony, block tin and babbitt metal. Some other ingredient was used to make the gold counterfeiters heavier. They were afterward coated in an electro-plating bath. The casts were made in two pieces and joined by a blow pipe. The plating covers this joint.

The task of working up the case against these men was no easy one. Several detectives were required to masquerade for nearly a year as thieves and gamblers. All were required to make daily reports of their doings to the chief, and these in turn are forwarded with the chief's daily report to Washington. All the captured parties were photographed, and each one's history sent therewith to the department of justice in Washington. Often indictments and convictions on other counts are kept hanging over the criminals, and when they are released from one term they can easily, if their course of life demands it, be hauled up and punished again without trouble. Of the present gang nearly all will be wanted by the State authorities when the terms for present offenses expire. In Indiana an indictment runs out in two years if the culprit is at large, but if in custody, it holds good until the sentence is served out. The members of the gang just captured stuck to each other well, and but one of the thirteen offered to turn State's evidence. As his testimony is not needed, his offer will probably not be accepted.

There are nine negroes in the new Legislature of Virginia.

Several lottery agents were recently tried and convicted at Chicago.

Sixty five thousand hogs arrived at Chicago in one day, the largest receipts on record.

General Wade Hampton (Gov.) an eastern man for President and a western man for Vice President.

Charles William Siemens, the distinguished scientist and electrician, died of rupture of the heart, in London.

War between France and China is now considered inevitable and hostilities are expected to begin at any moment.

Andrew Egner, better known as the Cincinnati tanyard murderer, has applied to the Governor of Ohio for a pardon.

New York Democrats are fearful that the defeat of Pendleton for a re-election to the Senate in Ohio will hurt the party prospects.

The Governor has appointed December 24th for the holding of an election to fill the vacancy in the Legislature occasioned by the resignation of Hon. W. N. Hogan, of Grant county.

The Postmaster General, of Canada, has decided to follow the example of Postmaster General Gresham, and forbid the use of the Canadian mails to all lotteries and similar schemes.

Col. John A. Cockerill has become managing editor of the New York World. Pulitzer goes to Europe, expecting to remain abroad four or five years. Ballard Smith has become managing editor of the Herald.

The fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of Cardinal McCloskey will be celebrated on the 15th of January next. There will be a grand service in the New York Cathedral, a dinner, presentation of a purse, and an address.

It is the desire of some of the Republican Congressmen that General Keifer shall decline to receive a nomination for the Speakership, and Congressman Phelps, of New Jersey, has written to Keifer asking him to make the sacrifice, if he considers it such, for the party good.

The Philadelphia Press remarks: Benjamin F. Butler, who monopolizes a fortune of some \$12,000,000, is getting ready to pool the anti-monopoly issues for an independent nomination next year. The Democratic party has been extremely successful in nursing General Butler until he has got big enough to bite. He cannot command many votes; but they may be enough to make a dangerous inch on the nose of a Democratic majority.

The Western Tobacco Journal says: That the severe weather of the past eight or ten days damaged tobacco in barns can not be denied, and especially green and late cut tobacco. Some planters as usual bear the brunt of the losses, and this is owing in a great degree to the fact that but poor protection is offered. Those planters having good tight barns rarely lose much in this manner. Of course the fault is not with the planter in every case, as the planting season was unusually late, and the tobacco was left in the field late in order to get the benefit of the fine weather prevailing the latter part of the season.

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